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AMENDMENT

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Responsive to the Office Action dated February 9, 1999, please amend the
application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

15. (amended) An optical amplifier comprising:
- an input terminal receiving an optical input signal;
 - an optical coupler dividing the optical input signal into a first optical signal and a second optical signal;
 - an optical filter operatively connected to the optical coupler [and] for passing [the optical input signal of] the first optical input signal;
 - a detector operatively connected to the optical filter for receiving the first optical signal
 - passed through the optical filter [detecting] to detect a level of the optical input signal; and

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